

RESOLUTION NO. 09-68

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA APPROVING THE CODESIGNATION OF A PORTION OF WEST 18 AVENUE, BETWEEN WEST 41 STREET AND WEST 44 PLACE, HIALEAH, FLORIDA, AS "MSGR. PEDRO LUIS PEREZ WAY" IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF THE OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND DEDICATION OF MONSIGNOR PEDRO LUIS PEREZ TO THE CITY OF HIALEAH AND ITS RESIDENTS, WITH THE COST OF SIGNAGE TO BE PAID BY THE CITY.

WHEREAS, the codesignation of that portion of West 18 Avenue, between West 41 Street and West 44 Place, as "MSGR. PEDRO LUIS PEREZ WAY", presently unnamed, is in honor and recognition of the outstanding contributions of Monsignor Pedro Luis Perez ("Monsignor Perez"); and

WHEREAS, Monsignor Perez was the pastor of St. Cecilia, and is currently the pastor of San Lazaro Roman Catholic Church located at 4400 West 18 Avenue in Hialeah, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Monsignor Perez has been a priest and pastor for over 57 years, beginning his religious service in his native Cuba, and continuing to the present in the United States since emigrating in 1961; and

WHEREAS, in 1982, Monsignor Perez was given the daunting task of being the pastor of a new church in Hialeah named San Lazaro, with no church building and no priest housing; and

WHEREAS, Monsignor Perez rose to the challenge, initially celebrating mass in the former Apollo Theater, and eventually constructing the building that currently houses the parishioners of San Lazaro Church; and

WHEREAS, through his efforts and dedication to both the church and the community, countless Hialeah residents of all ages have benefitted from the magnificent work of Monsignor Perez, from daily mass and charity for the poor to church ministries and religious education; and

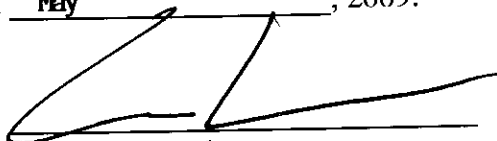
WHEREAS, although nearly 82 years old, Monsignor Perez continues to work tirelessly as pastor of San Lazaro for the betterment of the community and Hialeah as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Board recommended approval of this resolution on April 16, 2009.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:


Section 1: The portion of West 18 Avenue, between West 41 Street and West 44 Place, Hialeah, Florida, presently unnamed, is hereby codesignated as "MSGR. PEDRO LUIS PEREZ WAY", and shall be known as such from this day forward, with the costs of signage to be paid by the city.

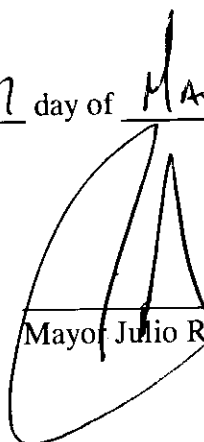
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of May, 2009.


Carlos Hernandez
Council Vice President


Attest:

Approved on this 27 day of May, 2009.


Rafael E. Granado
City Clerk


Mayor Julio Robaina

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form:


William M. Grodnick
City Attorney

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Resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote with Councilmembers, Caragol, Casals-Muñoz, Cue, Garcia-Martinez, Gonzalez, Hernandez, and Yedra voting "Yes".